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SUBJECT: MORNING PRESS CABLE, FRIDAY, 5/23/75

FOR AMBASSADOR ANDERSON FROM S/PRS FUNSETH

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SUMMARY: THREATS BY TURKS OVER ARMS CUTOFF AND U.S. BASES
IS MAJOR TOPIC OF ALL REPORTS, AS HAK LOOKS FOR ROAD TO
CYPRUS SETTLEMENT. END SUMMARY

1. WASHPOST: MARDER ON P. 1 LEADS WITH WARNING BY FM
CAGLAYANGIL THAT RELATIONS COULD BE IMPERILED, WITHOUT
SETTING DEADLINE. SENATE VOTE HAD LITTLE EFFECT. BASES,
INCLUDING INTELLIGENCE GATHERERS, COULD BE DISMANTLED.

2. NYTIMES: GELB ON PAGE 11 LEADS WITH SAME THREAT BY
FM. OTHER ELEMENTS INCLUDE INVITATION FROM HAK TO POR-
TUGUESE FM ANTUNES TO VISIT WASHDC, WHICH WAS ACCEPTED,
SYRIAN EXTENSION OF UNDOF, WHICH WAS UNEXPECTED, AND
PERSONNEL IN LAOS, WHICH WILL BE REDUCED.

3. AP MORNING LEAD FEATURES MEETING WITH ECEVIT, WHO
WAS ASKED TO HELP REACH CYPRUS SETTLEMENT. HAK WILL STOP
NEAR MADRID AND TALK WITH FRENCH FM (SIC) PEDRO CORTINA.

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4. UPI LEADS WITH TALKS ABOUT CYPRUS, THEN MENTIONS
REPORT THAT TURK GENERALS' INTERVENTION THREATENS EFFORTS
TO REACH ACCORD. HAK MET ECEVIT. A BOMB EXPLODED IN
BUILDING FORMERLY OCCUPIED BY US IN ISTANBUL.

5. REUTER: NELSON SAYS IT WAS LEARNED THAT US FEARS CLOSURE OF BASE AT SINOP, WHICH IS NOT ESSENTIAL FOR TURKISH DEFENSE BUT "IRREPLACEABLE" IN US EARLY WARNING SYSTEM. OFFICIALS SAID TO BELIEVE TURK POLICY WILL CLOSE BASES NOT RELATED TO JOINT US-TURK OR NATO EFFORT.

6. FREED ON AP RADIO SAYS HAK WANTED TO TALK ABOUT CYPRUS, WHILE TURKS FOCUSED ON ARMS CUTOFF AND CLOSING BASES. HAK TRYING TO BUY TIME; HE MAY GET ONE MORE MONTH.

7. CBS: KALB ON RADIO AND TV REPORTED ON HAK TALKS WITH ECEVIT, PAKISTANI AND OTHERS ABOUT CENTO AND CYPRUS. IN ANOTHER REPORT, KALB CITES HAK SAYING DESPITE SOVIET ARMS FLOW INTO ME, HE DOES NOT FEEL BALANCE OF POWER HAS SWUNG AGAINST ISRAEL, WHICH IS IN VERY GOOD MILITARY SHAPE. HE IS WORRIED ABOUT ARMS FLOWING IN, BUT DOES NOT FEEL WAR IS IMMINENT. INGERSOLL

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